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TAGS: PREL, MARR, BK, PK  
SUBJECT: PAK AGREEMENT TO ASSIST IN TRAINING BOSNIAN MILITARY  
PERSONNEL

REF: STATE 245535

1. (U) CLASSIFIED BY ACTING POLCOUNS DAN MOZENA. REASON:1.5B,D.
2. (U) THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE. PLEASE SEE PARA 4.
3. (C) RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TOLD POLOFF DECEMBER 3 THAT  
PAKISTAN AND THE BOSNIAN FEDERATION SIGNED A "MILITARY TRAINING  
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AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AGREEMENT" ON NOVEMBER 23 [REDACTED] HAD

ACCOMPANIED FOREIGN SECRETARY SHAIKH TO SARAJEVO, WHERE THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED). THE AGREEMENT PROVIDES A FRAMEWORK UNDER WHICH PAKISTAN WILL TRAIN 200 BOSNIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL IN PAKISTAN OVER THE NEXT 2 YEARS. PAKISTAN WILL FUND THE TRAINING, THOUGH [ ] WAS UNCERTAIN WHETHER THIS WOULD INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM BOSNIA. [ ] NOTED THAT "DETAILS" SUCH AS THE RANKS OF THE SOLDIERS TO BE TRAINED AND THE TYPE OF TRAINING THEY WOULD RECEIVE HAVE NOT YET BEEN SORTED OUT. WHEN ASKED WHETHER CROATS AS WELL AS MUSLIMS WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE TRAINING, [ ] RESPONDED THAT THE AGREEMENT WAS WITH THE BOSNIAN FEDERATION, WHICH WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SELECTING THE TRAINEES -- "PAKISTAN IS OPEN TO TRAINING BOTH CROATS AND MUSLIMS." [ ] OPINED THAT THE TWO YEAR PROGRAM WOULD BEGIN "EARLY NEXT YEAR."

4. (C) EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF COORDINATING INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO BOSNIA, [ ] SAID PAKISTAN, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE OIC ASSISTANCE MOBILIZATION GROUP FOR BOSNIA, HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO INTEGRATE OIC EFFORTS WITH THOSE OF THE LARGER INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. IN RESPONSE TO POLOFF'S QUERY, [ ] SAID PAKISTAN HOPES TO DOVETAIL THIS NEW TRAINING PROGRAM INTO THE LARGER INTERNATIONAL EFFORT TO TRAIN AND EQUIP THE BOSNIAN DEFENSE FORCES. TO THIS END, PAKISTAN SEEKS TO COORDINATE ITS EFFORTS WITH MPRI, THE U.S. FIRM MANAGING MILITARY TRAINING FOR THE BOSNIAN FEDERATION, BUT [ ] IS UNSURE WHETHER PAKISTAN IS HAVING MUCH SUCCESS IN COORDINATING WITH MPRI AND WOULD APPRECIATE OUR PROVIDING HIM WITH MPRI POINTS OF CONTACT. ACTION REQUEST: PLEASE PROVIDE SPECIFIC POINTS OF CONTACT FOR COORDINATION WITH MPRI THAT WE CAN FORWARD TO [ ]. SIMONS

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